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1. The SDGP agency was created in mid-1945. The head of the SDGP at that time was a certain Radchenko.

2. The SDGP was established to supervise all Soviet ship movements on the Danube River. It took over many German, Rumanian, and Hungarian ships under the Armistice terms. The SDGP has its own trucks, and floating repair shops converted from lighters. Immediately after World War II the SDGP began transporting war booty from Austria and Germany such as radio apparatus, motors, engines, and scrap iron. The employees of the SDGP have no contact with Rumanians, and maintain their own restaurants, canteens, and are paid high salaries. The employees pay no taxes, and they have their own radio system.

3. The organization of the Braila SDGP is as follows:

- a. Chief of the agency.
- b. Two dispatchers.
- c. Two wireless operators for receiving messages.
- d. Two engineers.
- e. One chief of personnel (a cadre member) representing the NKVD. He is replaced frequently.
- f. Three accountants.
- g. One interpreter, Rumanian and Russian.
- h. One cashier.
- i. Six to eight wireless operators.
- j. One chief of local vessels.
- k. One chief of the garage.
- l. One chief of supply.
- m. Five Rumanian chauffeurs.

4. The Bucharest SDGP is the largest agency. Crews on the SDGP vessels are generally Rumanian, Soviet, and some Greek sailors.

5. SDGP agencies are located as follows:

- a. Sulina
- b. Tulcea
- c. Bucharest

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6. In the port of Braila there is a floating dry dock and floating repair units of the SDGP.

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